

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 882 - SB 1170

April 2, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes state residents who are 50 percent or more disabled as a result of rheumatoid arthritis to obtain permanent combination hunting and fishing license at a reduced one-time fee of \$10.00.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Decrease State Revenue - \$44,900/FY09-10/Wildlife Fund
\$64,400/**

**FY10-11 and Subsequent Years/
Wildlife Fund**

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

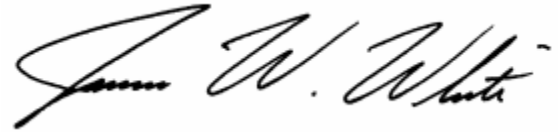
Assumptions:

- According to the U.S. Department of Health, approximately 0.6 percent of the adult population suffers from rheumatoid arthritis.
- The Tennessee population over the age of 25 is approximately 4,061,516 according to the U.S. Census Bureau.
- Approximately 16 percent of Tennesseans hunt or fish.
- An estimated 50 percent of the individuals suffering from rheumatoid arthritis would meet the disability threshold.
- Approximately 1,950 individuals would qualify for the reduced rate license ($4,061,516 \times 0.006 \times .16 \times .5 = 1,949.53$).
- The average hunting and fishing license price is \$33.
- The one-time price of the hunting and fishing license authorized by the bill is \$10.
- The decrease in state revenue for FY09-10 is estimated to be approximately \$44,900 [$(1,950 \times \$33) - (1,950 \times \$10) = \$44,850$].
- The decrease in state revenue for FY10-11 and thereafter is estimated to be approximately \$64,400 ($1,950 \times \$33 = \$64,350$).
- Any increase in state expenditures for administrative costs to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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